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Four indicted in Clark for death of Powell woman

By FRED PETKE
of The Winchester Sun

All four suspects in a fatal apartment invasion and shooting were indicted Thursday, one for murder, burglary and assault while the other three were charged with complicity.

During a preliminary hearing last month, Winchester Police detectives testified Christopher T. Robinson, 20, of Richmond, was the only one of the four who was

armed and fired any shots when the shooting occurred at 250 Oxford Drive Apt. 47 on Dec. 23, 2014. The incident left Justin Meadows and Crayvone Richie wounded and Amber Caudill dead. Caudill, 19, of Clay City, was killed when a bullet went through the floor of Meadows' apartment and struck her.

Thursday, Robinson was indicted for capital murder, first-degree burglary and two counts of first-degree assault for allegedly firing the shots



Amber Caudill and entering the apartment. Lillian Barnett, who police said drove the three to the

apartment complex, was charged with complicity for all counts, as were Lamont Wilkerson and Aaron Stailey, who accompanied Robinson to Meadows' apartment.

Police said Meadows was home when he heard a knock on the door but found the peephole covered. When they refused to uncover it, Meadows said he got his gun. Meadows told police he opened the door to find three men standing outside wearing ski masks and hoodies, who tried to force their way

into the apartment. Meadows said he tried to slam the door, but Robinson's gun got stuck. The three managed to push enough for Robinson to enter the apartment and fire.

Meadows said he fired one shot in return, which struck Robinson in the chest. Police believe Stailey and Wilkerson fled when the shots were fired.

Police are still waiting for forensic testing to confirm whether the bullet that killed Caudill came from Robinson's gun.

Attorney: County Clerk's case is now 'resolved'

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

The DUI case against Powell County Clerk Rhonda Allen Barnett has been "resolved."

That is according to her attorney, Jim Baechtold of Richmond. The DUI charge was amended down to

non-alcohol or drug reckless driving.

Barnett was arrested on July 15, 2014 after police say a truck she was driving backed into a parked car at the Powell County Courthouse. Barnett admitted to driving the truck and claimed she would "resolve the situation."

State police were called in and the troopers report

indicated that Barnett "had slurred speech, was unsteady on feet and failed field sobriety tests." However, that same report indicated that no alcohol presence was indicated on the portable breathalyzer.

She was arrested, taken to St. Joseph-Mount Sterling for blood tests and then to the Montgomery County regional Jail. She was released later

the same day.

Baechtold called the Times Tuesday morning after the case was heard in Powell District Court. The attorney stated that the charge was amended because blood tests indicated there was no alcohol in Barnett's system. He said the tests also showed that any prescription medications found were within "doctor

prescribed therapeutic levels."

"The prosecutor had read into the record that all the evidence and witnesses he spoke to said Barnett was not impaired," Baechtold said. A special prosecutor was brought in from Rowan County to handle the case.

Barnett will pay a \$100 fine on the amended charge.

County loses a friend

TIMES STAFF REPORT

For many of us who attended Powell County High School, she was known as one of the nicest staff members in the building. She helped students and made the library a fun place to learn about new things. Charlotte "Peggy" Spencer was one of those educators you will always remember, years after you graduated and she had retired.

Last week, the community lost Spencer. She passed away at her home last Friday. She

was 84.

Spencer was also active in the community. She was a member of the Powell County Retired Teachers Association. She was also a member of Powell County Farmers Market and the Powell County Democrat Executive Committee.

Spencer was laid to rest this past Tuesday. She is survived by her husband, Billy Spencer. She is also survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Greg and his wife Beverly Spencer of Stanton; and by three grandchildren, Ashley



Peggy Spencer

Spencer, Matthew Spencer and Christopher Spencer.



You can say Powell County is blessed with beautiful young ladies. Miss Brook Billings won the crown as Miss Berea last weekend and will now compete in the Miss Kentucky Pageant. She is one of several local young women who have won pageant titles this year.

Stanton girl has a dream to see and study in Italy

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

"Believe in and follow your dreams." - Kristanna Loken

Many people have had dreams of going somewhere or doing something spectacular. But very few get the chance to live that dream. Maybe it is because life comes at us too fast or something else gets in the way. But having a dream and trying to live it can keep people motivated.

It has for Chloe Bruno.

Chloe, a freshman at Powell County High School, has had a dream of going to Italy and studying there. The exchange student program is a great way to achieve that goal. But then there is the fact of life that it takes money.

Chloe, 14, had heard stories about Italy from her father, Tim. Tim Bruno had traveled to Italy three times when served in the U.S. Marine Corps. Chloe listened to the stories and found out that her family has some roots there. That made her want to go even more.

"Its a place I have wanted to see and to get a chance to go and study there is great," Chloe admitted when asked about her dream to go. The cost to go as an exchange student for just 10 months is

\$15,500.

Her family had hoped to be able to help send her. But then something else in life came up.

Tim was diagnosed with a lung disease. His many years of working as an aviation mechanic took its toll. After serving in the Marines from 1988 to 1996, he went to work as a contractor in the same field. He last worked at Bluegrass Station. But the disease progressed and now he is trying to get his disability since he cannot work anymore.

The process is long and he says it has become a fight because "they think I'm too young."

Chloe's mom, Barbara, works part-time at the Powell County Public Library and at the Kentucky Reptile Zoo in Slade.

The girl who has won ribbons at the Powell County Fair with the chickens, roosters and rabbits she raises; the little girl who used to love to out with her dad to shoot a bow before he got sick, now has to figure out a way to make a dream come true.

That is when she got an idea. Over the past year a website known as Go Fund Me has been utilized by people to help raise money. The

site has helped people raise money for everything from going on trips to helping raise money for families in dire need. Many of the funds set up tend to either help those who need financial assistance due to a serious event or by people wanting to raise money to achieve a goal. But it can be used to raise money for just about anything.

Chloe thought, why not and she is giving it a try.

"We started in January and we have raised about \$200," she said. "That helped to get her passport," her father added.

The fund will not go public for anyone and everyone to donate until it reaches \$500. When that happens, more people will find out more about Chloe's dream and hopefully will help.

Chloe also opened a blog spot (italiastoarrivando.blogspot.com) so people could donate.. But donations are non-tax deductible.

"She's a good kid. I don't want to hold her back and this is a good chance to go there." Tim said as he hopes his daughter can get the chance to live out a dream. "We live on a small farm she likes raising the rabbits and chickens, she loves hiking and photography. I've been

there and I hope she gets the chance to go."

The "all As and one B" student with a sharp 3.8 GPA hopes to get to live her dream.

The deadline to raise the money to go and study through the exchange stu-

dent program is in July. Chloe hopes that more people will go to her Go Fund Me site and help her. That site is www.gofundme.com/ChloeBItaliantrip.



Chloe Bruno, seen her with one of her favorite animals, Chipmunk the rooster, hopes to raise money to not only see Italy, but to get to study there as well.

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BBB offers advice on what to do after a data breach compromises your identity

Anthem breach could affect as many as 80 million

Tens of millions of Americans could be victims of the latest corporate data breach, this one at Anthem Insurance. Unknown hackers apparently stole personal identifying information (PII) from current and former Anthem customers, including names, addresses, Social Security numbers, dates of birth and other information that can be used for identity theft. Better Business Bureau® serving Central & Eastern Kentucky has tips for Kentuckians who may be affected by this breach.

Anthem has set up a separate website with information on the breach, but BBB recommends that consumers always go to a company's main website first and follow links from there. Scammers often take advantage of data breaches and subsequent confusion to set up spoof websites and send phishing emails.

BBB offers the following suggestions for consumers concerned that their PII has been stolen (also available at bbb.org/breach):

Do not take a “wait and see” approach as you may have done with breaches involving credit card data. You must act quickly. Breaches involving Social Security numbers have the potential to be far more detrimental to victims, and the damage can be difficult to repair.

Consider taking a pre-emptive strike by freezing your credit reports. This will not impact existing credit cards and financial accounts, but will create a roadblock for thieves seeking to create fraudulent accounts using your personal information.

At a minimum, if you know your Social Security number has been compromised, place a fraud alert on your credit reports. While less effective than a freeze, this will provide an extra layer of protection.

Take advantage of the free credit monitoring services Anthem will be offering to breach victims. While this is not a preventative measure, this will alert you to new accounts or inquiries using your Social Security number so that you can act quickly to repair the damage.

Vigilance is key. Regularly check your credit reports at annualcreditreport.com for unauthorized charges or other signs of fraud. (NOTE: This is the only free credit report option authorized by the Federal Trade Commission.)

Expect that scammers will take advantage of this data breach to send out phishing emails and other messages that appear to be from Anthem, a credit bureau or other legitimate companies. Do not click on links from any email, text or social media messages about this or any other data breach.

State House Republicans name members for committees; Rep. Hale named as Deputy Whip

House Republican Caucus Leadership, which is House Republican Floor Leader Jeff Hoover, R-Jamestown; Republican Caucus Chair Stan Lee, R-Lexington; and Republican Whip Jim DeCesare, R-Bowling Green, announced today the creation of positions called ranking members among the caucus. The House Republicans named in these new roles will be responsible for reviewing legislation that comes before their respective committees, and utilizing their background and experience to craft bills for the betterment of their district and the Commonwealth.

“Our caucus represents both urban and rural areas with a variety of needs and issues that in many ways are unique to their part of Kentucky,” said Leader Hoover. “Because of that along with the fact that our caucus holds 46 of the 100 seats in the House, we believe it’s essential that we designate Republican legislators to lead the way on their respective committees.”

The ranking members named to House Committees are:

- Agriculture and Small Business: Rep. James Tipton, R-Taylorsville
- Appropriations and Revenue: Rep. Steven Rudy, R-West Paducah
- Banking and Insurance: Rep. Bart Rowland, R-Tompkinsville
- Economic Development: Rep. Russell Webber, R-Shepherdsville
- Education: Rep. Jill York, R-Grayson
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- Judiciary: Rep. Joe Fischer, R-Ft. Thomas
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- Licensing and Occupations: Rep. Addia Wuchner, R-Burlington
- Local Government: Rep. Michael Meredith, R-Brownsville
- Natural Resources and Environment: Rep. Tim Couch, R-Hyden
- State Government: Rep. Kenny Imes, R-Murray
- Tourism Development and Energy: Rep. Brian Linder, R-Dry Ridge
- Transportation: Rep. David Floyd, R-Bardstown
- Veterans: Rep. Tim Moore, R-Elizabethtown

In addition House Republican Leadership also named the five freshman members of their caucus as Deputy Whips, who will assist House Republican Whip DeCesare with his duties.

“These new roles will help our five freshman members develop knowledge and leadership skills to better serve their districts and the caucus as a whole,” said Rep. DeCesare. “We are confident in their abilities in taking on this new role in addition to their duties to those they serve on House committees.”

The five freshmen and newly named Republican Deputy Whips are:

- Rep. Jim DuPlessis, R-Elizabethtown
- Rep. David Hale, R-Wellington
- Rep. Jerry Miller, R-Louisville
- Rep. Phil Moffett, R-Louisville
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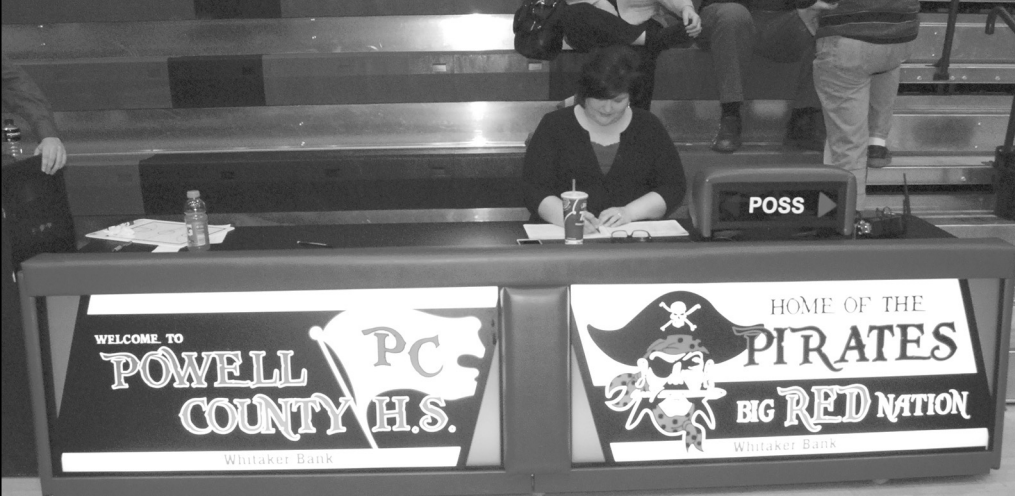
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Thank You very much . . .

Times Photo by James Cook

The Powell County High School received a new scorers table (below) for basketball and volleyball games courtesy of Whitaker Bank. The new table is shorter and looks impressive. The school district showed their appreciation last Friday night to Whitaker Bank for their assistance. Above (l to r) is PCHS Kendal Kerns, Whitaker Bank of Stanton President Dwaine Meadows, Powell County Athletic Director Monroe Jones and Powell County Superintendent Mike Tate. The new table and the new chairs for the players/coaches, which were unveiled last week, will help make the Rodney T. Clark Gymnasium and William “Bill” Orme Court look great for the upcoming 14th Region Boys Basketball Tournament.



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Andrea Foster, Hill Harper and Cheyenne Profitt

Two Powell students at MSU meet TV star

Cheyenne Profitt and Andrea Foster were recently selected out of hundreds of applicants to meet actor Hill Harper through Morehead State University. Hill Harper is an actor who has played many vital roles in big movies and television shows such as Covert Affairs and CSI: New York. Hill is also a very well known author and has published many books.

Hill Harper, as well as being an actor and author, is an advocate for the youth of today. He has a non-profit organization called “Manifest Your Own Destiny,” which helps underprivileged teens accomplish their dreams for the future.

When asked the girls said, “Harper’s speech was very inspirational. He told the audience to always follow your heart and to never settle for less that you deserve.” Harper also told the audience that life is not easy, so you need to always be prepared for the obstacles in life, “but that your heart and help from others can help you through them.”

Both Cheyenne and Andrea are sophomores at Morehead State University.

Andrea is majoring in Exercise Science in hope of becoming an Occupational Therapist. She is rhe daughter of Doug and Elizabeth Foster of Stanton.

Cheyenne is majoring in Psychology hoping to one day become a psychologist. She is the daughter of Keith and Charlotte Profitt of Stanton.

Congratulations to both girls!

Happy Belated Birthday Dee!



Happy Belated Birthday to a kind, sweet person who will not try to seek revenge for this photo. Your friends and family love you and we hope your birthday was a great one!

P.S. - How old are you now?

ATTENTION PARENTS & STUDENTS

There is **NO SCHOOL** on Monday, Feb. 16 in honor of President’s Day.

Upcoming Local Government Meetings

Feb. 12 Stanton City Council @ 6:30 p.m. Powell County Courthouse	Mar. 10 Powell County Fiscal Court @ 7 p.m. Powell County Courthouse
Feb. 24 Powell County School Board @ 6 p.m PCHS Cafeteria (Unless otherwise noted.)	Feb. 16 Clay City Council @ 7 p.m. Clay City Municipal Building

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Foster inducted into National Society of Collegiate Scholars

Andrea Nicole Foster was inducted into the National Society of Collegiate Scholars in October in a ceremony at Morehead State University. To be inducted into the society you have to have a 3.5 GPA and maintain a 3.0 GPA. She was named to the Dean’s List for achieving a 4.0 GPA in the spring semester.

Andrea is pursuing a degree in Exercise Science with the hope of one day becoming an occupational therapist. Andrea is currently a sophomore at Morehead State University.

She is the daughter of Doug and Elizabeth Foster of Stanton

Collins named Dean’s List

Georgetown College congratulates Corri G. Collins of Stanton, KY, who made the Dean’s List for Fall 2014. To qualify, a student must have completed the semester with at least 12 credit hours and a 3.7 GPA.



KYTC Graduated Driver License course now offered online, take it anytime and anywhere

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) today announced an online version of the Graduated Driver License course for teaching safe driving techniques to beginning drivers.

The online program represents a fourth option for completing the course, which is required before a learner’s permit can be replaced with an unrestricted driver’s license.

Until now, three options were available:

- A four-hour Graduated Driver License course provided by KYTC in the driver’s home county. The course is offered for free, and at least two courses are held per year in each of the state’s 120 counties.
- High school driver’s education course or a similar course offered by a Kentucky community college, vocational School or Job Corps.
- Private driver training course at a driver training school approved by the KYTC Division of Driver Licensing.

The new, fourth option is an online course administered by I Drive Safely, a driver education website.

“Our hope is to make options available for every situation,” said Rodney Kuhl, KYTC commissioner of the

Department of Vehicle Regulation. “We understand people have busy schedules, and this new online option just adds another convenient way for those struggling to find time for our classroom course.”

The online course, which costs \$15, takes about four hours to complete. The course can be taken when convenient for the driver and at the driver’s own pace, as long as the course is completed within 270 days of the initiated login. The money charged for the course is collected by the website administering the course, not the state.

Nearly 35,000 students take the Graduated Driver License course each year. Students taking the online course may have to wait 24 to 48 hours before completion of the course shows up on their driving records. But after the course is complete, a confirmation email will be sent to the student. The course is available online at <http://teen.idrive-safely.com/Kentucky/>.

Once drivers have completed the course, along with other requirements under Kentucky’s Graduated Driver License Law, they are eligible for an unrestricted driver’s license. Guidelines for the state’s

Graduated Driver License Law can be found online at transportation.ky.gov/Driver-Licensing/Pages/Graduated-Driver-Licensing-Program.aspx.

Commissioner Kuhl said the public’s interest in online driver training became apparent after launch of an

online version of State Traffic School for drivers cited for traffic violations.

“The online Graduated Driver License Course is a logical extension of our services and another way to increase convenience for those looking for classes,” Commissioner Kuhl said.

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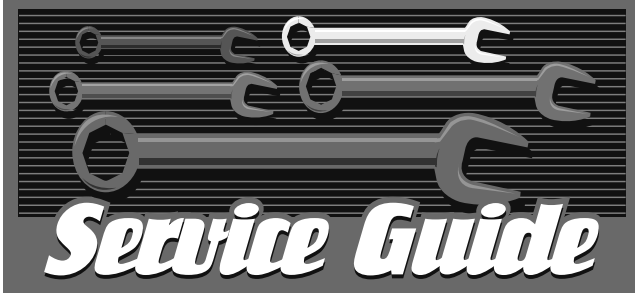
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Frivolous lawsuits, helping stroke victims and pro-life issue discussed



By STATE SEN.
ALBERT ROBINSON
Guest Columnist

The 2015 session continued last week, as the Senate and House convened on February 3, 2015. With deadlines approaching soon, the Senate held committee meetings throughout the day only stopping to go into session. Our priorities

are the focus as we work to improve Kentuckians’ lives with quality jobs and quality education. On Thursday, Veterans, Military Affairs and Public Protection, the committee I chair, heard and reported a pro-life bill, Senate Bill 7, which passed the Senate Thursday. The legislation requires a face to face consultation with a physician and an ultrasound prior to an abortion procedure. This is a pro-life bill, and it also ensures the patient understands all of the risks of the procedure. Members of both caucuses came together in a bipartisan spirit to improve care for stroke victims in rural areas of Kentucky and promote preventive care for the deadly cardiovascular dis-

ease. The goal of the Senate Bill 10 is to continue the development of a stroke system of care in Kentucky that facilitates timely access to an appropriate level of care for stroke patients. This is especially critical for those of us that live in rural Kentucky where every second counts for a victim of a stroke. It builds on 2010 legislation that required the state to recognize certified primary stroke centers. The 2010 legislation was introduced after a study showed Kentucky had the 12th highest rate for strokes in the nation with 2,500 people dying every year. Another health care related bill that passed was Senate Bill 6. This addresses the problem of frivolous

lawsuits, which are costly and burdensome to medical and assisted living centers. The bill will implement medical review panels that independently review negligence and malpractice suits before they move to the court system. Medical practitioners will have more protection from unfounded suits which are costly and have a negative impact on their practice. Policy such as this will also aid in keeping sorely needed doctors in Kentucky. To help our schools meet their needs, the Senate also passed Senate Bill 9 which is the prevailing wage exemption bill. This measure exempts school construction projects from the state’s prevailing wage law. The prevailing wage law requires

contractors to pay their workers a specified minimum wage rate for work on certain public construction projects. This legislation will decrease construction costs of elementary and secondary education buildings by 7.6 percent. Another important education bill passed to allow Charter Schools to be implemented. Senate Bill 8 bill will permit a maximum of five public charter schools in Jefferson and Fayette Counties so that their effectiveness can be measured before opening this option to the entire state. Charter schools increase student achievement and impact the achievement gap. These schools will enroll students eligible for free or reduced lunch and who are assigned

to KDE identified Focus Schools. Charter schools have the ability to use innovative strategies to achieve educational goals and are not under the regulations of local and state school board regulations. The bill passed our chamber and now moves to the House for consideration. So far, this session has been busy as we work hard to meet the needs of Kentucky in the short session Friday, February 6th was the final day for bill requests and February 13th is the last day for new legislation. You have a voice in Frankfort. I encourage you to express your support for any legislation that is important to you by calling 1-800-372-7181 and voicing your opinions.

With more than 100 bills filed in one day, list of issues growing fast

FRANKFORT – In one of the busiest bill-filing days in recent years, members of the Kentucky General Assembly introduced more than 100 bills in a single day this week. The parade of bills being formally introduced in the Senate and House chambers on Tuesday marked the resumption of the 2015 legislative session after a three-week break. It’s now clearer than ever that there’s much work to be done in a relatively short amount of time. This year’s 30-day session is considered a short one, in contrast with the 60-day sessions held in even-numbered years. By the time lawmakers’ completed this week’s work on Friday, the number of bills introduced in

both chambers totaled 480. Many of these bills have been in the works for months, and early news reports indicated it would be a busy session. But seeing the list of bills one after the other highlights the point that this year’s array of issues is a particularly diverse one. A relatively small sampling of the proposals lawmakers are considering this year includes measures to:

- increase the state’s minimum wage from the current \$7.25 an hour to \$10.10 over the next three years.
- set up a pilot program to establish up to five charter schools in Louisville and Lexington.
- place a statewide ban on smoking in restaurants, bars and other public places

and workplaces.

- allow prescriptions for medical marijuana.
- let voters decide on a proposed a constitutional amendment to automatically restore voting rights to felons convicted of certain offenses upon the completion of sentences and probation.
- require a face-to-face meeting between the pregnant woman and a health-care provider at least 24-hours before an abortion takes place. Lawmakers are also considering a measure that would require a medical doctor to perform an ultrasound prior to a woman giving informed consent for an abortion.
- place a proposed constitutional amendment on the ballot to give the General

Assembly authority to halt administrative regulations found to be deficient.

- permit communities to vote on a temporary local sales tax of up a penny to fund a specific projects.
- allow workers the choice to work at unionized shops without paying dues to an organized labor group.
- curb dating abuse by allowing people in such relationships to receive civil protective orders.
- stabilize the state’s road fund by placing a higher floor on the level the state’s gas tax – which is tied to the wholesale price of gas – can drop to.
- extend domestic-violence protection to people in dating relationships.
- tackle the state’s heroin problem through a com-

bination of efforts, including stronger sentences for heroin dealers, more treatment options for addicts and wider use of naloxone, a drug that can reverse the effects of a heroin overdose.

- allow bonds to be sold to shore up the Kentucky Teachers Retirement System.
- establish an independent panel of medical experts to review claims of medical malpractice before a lawsuit can be brought in circuit court.
- exempt public school construction projects from the prevailing wage law.
- allow the use of more public-private partnerships, or P3s, to finance major projects in Kentucky.
- strengthen efforts to prevent dog fighting by

prohibiting the possession, training, breeding, and selling of four-legged animals for fighting. Again, this is not a complete list of the issues lawmakers are considering. To see a complete listing of the bills that have been filed and track their progress, visit the Kentucky Legislature Home Page at www.lrc.ky.gov. Bill information can be found by looking under “2015 Regular Session Legislative Record.” The website also includes contact information for senators and representatives. To share your views on the issues under consideration with lawmakers, please call the General Assembly’s toll-free message line at 1-800-372-7181.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

AmVets say ‘Thanks’ for helping so many kids, families

We at AMVETS Post 67 wish to thank the many businesses and individuals from the community who donated toys or contributed money to support our annual Christmas with a Smile Program. This year we were able to provide Christmas gifts to over 350 children from our community. We would like to acknowledge the special contributions of the following institutions, businesses and individuals:

Toys for Tots, Peoples Bank, Cash Express, Southern Brothers, Roger’s Hardware , Powell County Jail, Glenda Birch, Jean Boudot, James Anderson, Ester Rule, Justin Shepherd, Austin Brewer, Whitaker Bank, Powell County Tourism Board, Abner’s Motel, Hurst Furniture, Allen’s Hardware, Everman’s Gulf, Mark Hawkins, Nancy Adams, Danny Rogers, Mat Willoughby, Rand Black, Tanner Dodge, Mountain Parkway Drag Strip, Cash in a Dash, Parkway Florist, ACE Hardware, Juanita King, C.B. Martin, Rhonda Barnett, Sandy Berryman, Ann Cecil, Dustin Billings.

Additionally we wish to thank any business, group, or individual we failed to mention by name as well as the many folks who donated money through our Road Block efforts. I would like to add my personal thanks to the members of AMVETS Post 67 and their families, as well as the Sons of AMVETS, and all of our friends who volunteered their time and efforts to make this possible.

Jeff Townsend,
Commander Post 67

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Take Your Valentine Out to Dinner

The Powell County Livestock Producers Association wants to invite you and your “valentine” to our seventh annual Valentine’s Dinner, on Friday, Feb. 13. In celebration of Valentines’ Day, the members of the Powell County Livestock Association will serve you with one of two steak selections, (a bourbon steak, or a steak smothered in peppers, mushrooms and onions), a salad, roll, baked potato and dessert for the price of \$25 per couple. We have a few seats available for the 5 p.m. seating, but we need to know who will be attending by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday to make meal preparations. The dinner will be held at the Powell County Extension Office Conference room.

Proceeds of this dinner will be used toward the 2015 Powell County Livestock Producers

Scholarships which will be given later on this year to some of our deserving Powell County Seniors.

To secure your meal reservation, please contact the Powell County Extension Office at 606-663-6405, or contact any of our members of the Powell County Livestock Producer’s Association.

Good-bye to the Peach Lady

It seems I lost another good friend this week with the passing of Peggy Spencer. Peggy was one of the most devoted members of our Powell County Farmers Market group. During each summer after her retirement from being the PCHS Librarian, she could be found each Wednesday and Friday at the Farmers Market. She would get out early to pick her produce and be the first one to set up her stand. Her

Valentine’s Day is very memorable for us

produce was always clean fresh and tasty. She would always have the freshest green beans, but she will be fondly remembered and sadly missed for her peaches. The peaches that she and her husband Bill grew were always delicious, and without blemish. She did not sell you anything she would not eat herself. Peggy was one of the most talented people I have ever met. Her quilts, her crafts and handiworks have decorated many of our doors and homes in Powell and other counties. She will be so missed by so many of us. I have truly lost a dear friend.

Happy Valentine’s Day

As I sit at my desk and hurriedly write my article this week, the local florists are frantically busy getting those last minute flower orders ready for delivery. Our local stores are filled with people making those last minute valentines purchases, or simply for those guys who need to be reminded that “Saturday is Valentine’s Day!” by their significant other.

Valentine’s Day reminds me of how truly blessed I really am to have a wonderful and truly beautiful Valentine for over 30 years now, and two beautiful daughters who continually light up my life. Valentine’s Day for me has not always been so happy. I remember as a second grader, looking so forward to my second grade valentine’s Day party, when I became stricken with tonsillitis and ended up in the hospital that day, having my tonsils removed. Now a Valentine’s Day party is of monumental importance to a second grader, and I was crushed to miss it!

Other memories of this special day of love were also not so good. As I entered into 3rd, 4th and 5th grade, I soon became one of the “biggest boned” children in my class, which I attribute to my mother’s good cooking, and my love for food. I remember Valentine’s Day being filled with some harsh memories as a result



of that. I was the blunt of several jokes at that age, and probably some bullying, I suppose. I remember going through my Valentines box and sorting out the Valentine’s Day cards that had elephants, rhinos and pigs on them, just knowing that even my valentines were a source of ridicule. Valentine’s Day can be torture to a third grader with rampant hormones!

Luckily, I realized that my self-worth was not based on my weight, but my heart, and I have had many wonderful Valentine’s Days filled with love and laughter since then. Thanks to all those who helped me through it.

Valentines days are not all filled with love and happiness for some. It can be a day of sadness, especially for those who just recently lost their valentine. Make sure to make a conscious effort this week to say “Happy Valentine’s day” to someone who might have lost their valentine recently. Just a few words, a sweet card or a small box of chocolate can brighten up someone’s day.

Rootstock and Plant Orders

The Powell County Extension Service will coordinate with Wolfe, Breathitt and other counties in our area and will be ordering apple rootstocks again this year. If you want to propagate that favorite apple tree, grafting is one of the easiest ways to preserve that cultivar. To graft, you will need scion wood (terminal branch segments from last year’s growth from your own tree) and rootstock. If you do not know how to graft, we have a grafting workshop scheduled on Tuesday, March 10 at 1p.m. at the Powell County Extension Office conference room where some of our local gardeners will demonstrate grafting techniques.

We typically order Malling7 (55% of standard size) and/or MM.111 (80% of standard) semi-dwarf apple rootstock and a pear rootstock. Please place your order by February 10 at the Extension Office. Each rootstock will cost \$1 each. Payment should be made upon ordering. Make checks payable to the Powell County Ag Council.

Spring Fruit Plants Available

Plant orders for strawberries, blueberries, raspberries, asparagus plants and now candy onions will be

taken until March 15 at the Powell County Extension Office at great prices to our local gardeners and homeowners. We will offer the following plant varieties:

Strawberries-Earliglow & Allstar-\$15/100 plants; or \$4/bundle of 25

Blueberries-Blue Crop and Blue Ray-\$6/plant (you will need at least two different varieties for cross pollination).

Blackberries-Triple Crown-\$3/plant

Raspberries-Bristol Black raspberry \$3/plant

Asparagus-Jersey Knight variety-\$1/crown

Candy Onions-\$5/bundle of 60 plants

Contact the Powell County Extension Office at 169 Maple Street in Stanton to place your order. All orders must be accompanied with a payment of check or cash. Plants should arrive around the 6th of April-just in time for spring planting.

Master Cattleman Classes to be held in Powell Area

Powell County beef producers or those individuals who want to become beef producers are invited to sign up and attend the 2015 Mas-

ter Cattleman Classes. This series of 10 classes beginning March 5 will be held at the Clark County Extension Office in Winchester. These classes are open to producers in Powell, Estill, Clark and Madison Counties and will be held on Monday and Thursday nights in March and April. Participants are required to attend at least 8 out of the ten sessions offered. Topics for the Master Cattleman class include; Facilities; Nutrition; Genetics; Forages, Herd Health; Reproduction; Land Management; Marketing and the End product; All sessions will be taught by UK Extension Specialists. Cost for the Master Cattleman training is \$25/person. The Powell County Livestock Association will pay \$25 for each member who attends the class. To sign up for the Master Cattleman class, please contact Mike Reed at 663-6405.

Farm Leaders Tour Scheduled

The annual farm Leaders tour has been scheduled this year for June 17th through 20th. This year’s tour will take us south into the Mount Airy, North Carolina area, (the home of Mayberry and the birthplace of Andy Griffith). We will be making our way through the Blue Ridge Mountains, spending one night in Abingdon, VA and the next two nights in Mount Airy, NC. We will be touring local beef cattle farms, vegetable production and specific points of interest on the way. The farm leader’s trip is open to all Powell County farmers. Details are being worked out at this time. Please contact the Powell County Extension Office at 663-6405 if you may be interested.

PCHS Site Based Council meetings schedule

The PCHS SBDM Council will be meeting on the following dates at the times listed below.

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May 4, 2015	4 pm
June 1, 2015	4 pm

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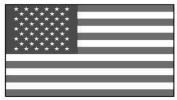
Winford B. Combs, 80

Winford Burton Crowe, 80, husband of Lois “Joan” Bertrand Crowe, passed away Friday, Feb. 6, at Thomas-Hood Veteran Center, Wilmore. He was born Feb. 28, 1934 in Stanton to father, James Crowe and mother, Elsie Allen Crowe Pelfrey. He was a Navy Veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Lois Joan Crowe, Lexington; son, Victor Crowe, Virginia; grandchildren, Stacey Pecenka, James J. Crowe, Erin Pellegrini, and Victoria Crowe; great-grandchildren, Addison Pecenka, Jackson Pecenka, Aden Alvarez, and Fynlie Joann Pennington; brothers, Rodney (Lynn) Crowe, Princeton, and Jimmy (Pam) Crowe, Stanton.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Tina Jo Crowe; sister, Candace Baxter; and brother A.C. Crowe.

Private services were held on Saturday, Feb. 7 at Davis & Davis Funeral Home. Burial was in the Donnie G. Randal Veterans Cemetery, Stanton. www.ddfh.net



Freda Gaylord, 76

Freda Gaylord, 76, of Stanton passed away, Thursday, Jan. 29, 2015 at the Clark Regional Medical Center with her family at her side. Freda comes from a family that serves the Lord; she attended Vaughn’s Mill First Church of God while growing up on Hardwick’s Creek. Freda was a loving mother of four daughters and to her great grandson Dylan. She loved the Lord with all her heart and served Him daily. She was a devout member of the West Bend Church of God for 38 plus years. There is no greater love than to instill the love of Jesus Christ to our children as Freda did. Freda taught Sunday school for many years. Freda retired from Sylvania with over 33 years of service. She will be missed by her family and friends who will be comforted in knowing she is safely in the arms of our Lord.

She is survived by four daughters, Karen Kirk of Stanton, Connie Reed and husband Hugh of Clay City, Vickie Miller and husband Chris of Atlanta, TX, Kathy Catron and husband Donald of Stanton; six grandchildren and three great grandchildren; two brothers, Hubert Patrick of Clay City and Raymond Patrick of Stanton; six sisters, Irene Tapp of OK, Patty Patrick of Irvine, Emma Lee Estes of Beattyville, Velma Estes of Beattyville, Charlene Warner of Irvine and Bobbi Mulford of Stanton.

She was preceded in death by her parents, General and Flora Patrick; husband, Russell Gaylord; two brothers, Allen Patrick and Elmer Joe Patrick ;and one sister, Mary Ethel Warner.

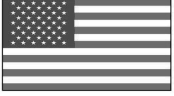
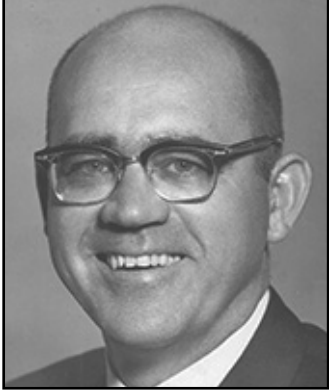
Funeral services were Saturday, Jan. 31, 2015 at the West Bend Church of God with Bro. Ray Wyant officiating. Burial followed in the Rest Haven Cemetery. Pallbearers were CJ Miller, Ben Miller, Brennan Young, Dylan Kirk, Hugh Reed, Donald Catron Honorary Pallbearers Devin Young and the members of the West Bend Church of God. Grayson Funeral Home was in charge of services.



Gale Gregory, 89

Gale Gregory, 89, husband of Ruth Clemons Gregory, Pearl Street, Stanton, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 7, 2015 at the V. A. Medical Center in Lexington. He was the son of the late Hobart and Frona Kogar Gregory and a World War II Army Veteran. Gale Gregory was a retired dental technician, a proud member of Emmanuel Baptist Church and an avid golfer.

In addition to his parents he was also preceded in death by one brother, Drexell Gregory and three sisters, Ella Mae Kennedy, Dorothy Harrison and Dolly Sweigart; and one grandson, David



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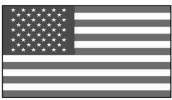
Schern. Gale Gregory is survived by his wife, Ruth Gregory; one daughter, Kathy Schern and her husband Mike; one brother, Steve Gregory; one sister, Shirley Davis; four grandchildren: Jason Schern and his wife Hye-In, Gregory Schern and his wife Melanie, Susan Thiriot and her husband Bryce and Kassiah Myers and her husband Daniel; and by 13 great grandchildren: Kevin Schern, Emily Schern, Lillian Schern, Jaisa Schern, Camden Schern, Rilynn Schern, Abigail Thiriot, Gabriella Thiriot, Sebastian Myers, David Myers, Annabelle Myers, Marcus Myers and Charlotte Myers. Funeral services officiated by Rev. Marion Brewer and Fred Tuttle were conducted on Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2015 at Emmanuel Baptist Church. Interment with military honors was in Powell’s Valley Cemetery, Clay City.

Jeff T. Larrison, 65

Jeff Thomas Lairson, 65, of Greenway Road in Stanton, husband of Bonnie Lairson, passed away Sunday, Feb. 1, 2015 at the University of Kentucky Hospital. He was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps.

He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Lairson, of Stanton; three sons, Thomas David “Bud” Lairson of Cold Springs, Anthony Lairson of Lexington, and William Lairson of Adana, Turkey; three daughters, Jennifer Blakeman and her husband Merle of Winchester, Debra Jane Lairson of Lawanceburg, IN, and Renea Ricthie and her husband Randy of Stanton; six grandchildren; and one sister, Laddonna Sons of Stanton.

He was preceded in death by his parents William and Edith Lairson; and two sisters, Betty Wasson and Dorothy Rogers. Funeral services were held Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2015 at the Grayson Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. MC Rice officiating. Burial followed in the Donnie G. Randall Memorial Veterans Cemetery in Stanton. Pallbearers were Donnie Sons, Chris Sons, Anthony Sons, Cody Lairson, Jacob Rose and Ladon Rogers. Grayson Funeral Home is in charge of services.



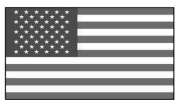
Raymond Rogers, 80

Raymond Elwood Rogers, 80, of Stanton, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2015 at the VA Hospital in Lexington with his family by his side. He was a member of the Blessed Assurance Church, a Veteran of the United States Marine Corps, a life member of the Am Vets and a member of the Marine Corps League.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia Rogers of Stanton; four sons, Lenny Rogers of Charlotte, N.C., Darrell Rogers and wife Michelle of West Chester, OH, Doug Rogers and wife Marie of Dayton, OH, and Ray Miller and wife Amanda of Aurora, CO; three stepsons, Roy Brandenburg, Bob Brandenburg and Dan Morse; one daughter, Michelle Rigsby and husband Michael of Dayton, OH; four stepdaughters, Pam Martinez, Sheila Hicks, Brenda Wilhoit, and Christine Fickey; 11 grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren; one brother, Kenneth Rogers; two sisters, Gladys Townsend of Winchester and Lynn Rose of Frenchburg; and several nieces and nephews and a host of family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Effie Rogers; one son, Tim Rogers; four brothers, William Rogers Jr., Paul Rogers, Gary Rogers and Hargus Jackson; and two sisters, Wanda Smith and Arnest Kaylor.

Funeral services were held Monday, Feb. 9, 2015 with Bro. Gary Sparks officiating at the Grayson Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed in the Donnie G. Randall Memorial Veterans Cemetery. Pallbearers were Doug Rogers, Ray Rogers, Dan Morse, Ron Holiday, Darren Berger, Gary LaFountain, Randy Sparks and Scotty Bowlin. Honorary Pallbearers were Lenny Rogers, Kenny Rogers, Chester Lacy, Charlie Townsend, Bertha and Odra Ledford, Roy Brandenburg, Lynn Rose and Freda Joseph. Grayson Funeral Home was in charge of services



Charlotte “Peggy” Spencer, 84

Charlotte Marilyn “Peggy” Spencer, 84, wife of Billy Spencer, of Honor Drive, Stanton, passed away at her residence on Friday, Feb. 6, 2015. Born in Dayton, KY she was the daughter of the late Edward and Mattie Williams Garrison. Peggy Spencer was a retired librarian at Powell County High School and a member of the Powell County Retired Teachers Association. She was also a member of Powell County Farmers Market and the Powell County Democrat Executive Committee. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her sister, Edwanna G. Chenault.

She is survived by her husband, Billy Spencer; one son, Greg and his wife Beverly Spencer of Stanton; and by three grandchildren, Ashley Spencer, Matthew Spencer and Christopher Spencer.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2015 at Hearne Funeral Home, Stanton. Interment was in Stanton Cemetery with Matthew Spencer, Christopher Spencer, David Bowen, H. K. Cunningham, Kent Watkins and Paul (Pooge) White serving as active pallbearers.

Honorary pallbearers were Dr. Charles Noss, Gary Chenault, Eva Mae White, Betty Craft, Nellie Anderson, Shirley Bowen, Roslyn Lacy, Tony Ball, Toby Drake, Richard Fain, Diane Davis, Chuck Cornett, Mike Reed, Peggy Lou Chenault, Sharon Ramsey, Philip and Randy Spencer and Hope Carlton.

Arrangements by Hearne Funeral Home, Inc. www.hearnefuneralhome.com



Marlene Wilson, 67

Marlene Cheryl Wilson, 67, of East College Avenue, Stanton, passed away at her residence on Friday, Feb. 6, 2015. Born in Hamilton, Ohio she was the daughter of the late Charles and Mattie Mercer Ballinger. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by two children, Junior Wilson and Sherry Wilson and by two sisters, Helen Crull and Charlotte Highfill.

She is survived by two sons, David (Loraine) Crosson, Fayetteville, NC and Jonathan Crosson, Walton; four daughters: Candis (Nicholas) Burton, Stanton, Marita (Donnie) Wright, West Liberty, Rebecca (Nathaniel) Merritt, Ridgeley, WV and Rachael Stokes, South Lebanon, OH; two brothers: Aaron Ballinger and Kenneth Ballinger; three sisters: Margaret Mullins, Carolyn Fields and Judy Call; and 16 grandchildren: Caitlin Crosson, Ali Barakat, Dana Crosson, Lindsey Crosson, Brian Stokes, Dylan Stokes, Megan Banas, Nicholas Brewer, Kelly Brewer, Addison Merritt, Kaylyn Merritt, Shelby Haddix, Andrew Haddix, Jocelynn Wilson, Patience Burton and Nikayla Burton.

Funeral services were held on Monday, Feb. 9, 2015 at Hearne Funeral Home, Stanton. Interment was in Stanton Cemetery with David Crosson, Keith Maupin, Wayne Maupin, Aaron Ballinger, Nicholas Burton and Donnie Wright serving as pallbearers. Arrangements by Hearne Funeral Home, Inc. www.hearnefuneralhome.com



Our Deepest Gratitude



The family of Robert Darrell Smith would like to express our deepest gratitude for all of the flowers, food, cards, money and prayers. Also for the thoughtfulness and kindness shown to us during the loss of our beloved and loving husband, dad, brother, uncle, son-in-law, brother-in-law and friend.

Thanks to everyone who helped in any way or just thought about us. Darrell would have been pleased.

A part of us is grieving, yet rejoicing that he suffers no more. He often spoke on how he was looking for something and we believe he found it Jan. 8, 2015.

Rev. 21:7
He that overcometh shall inherit all things: and I will be his God and he shall by my son.

We loved him dearly and he will be greatly missed. He now walks the streets of gold. Thanks to all.

His loving wife, Clara and son, Mark; the Smith and Estes Families

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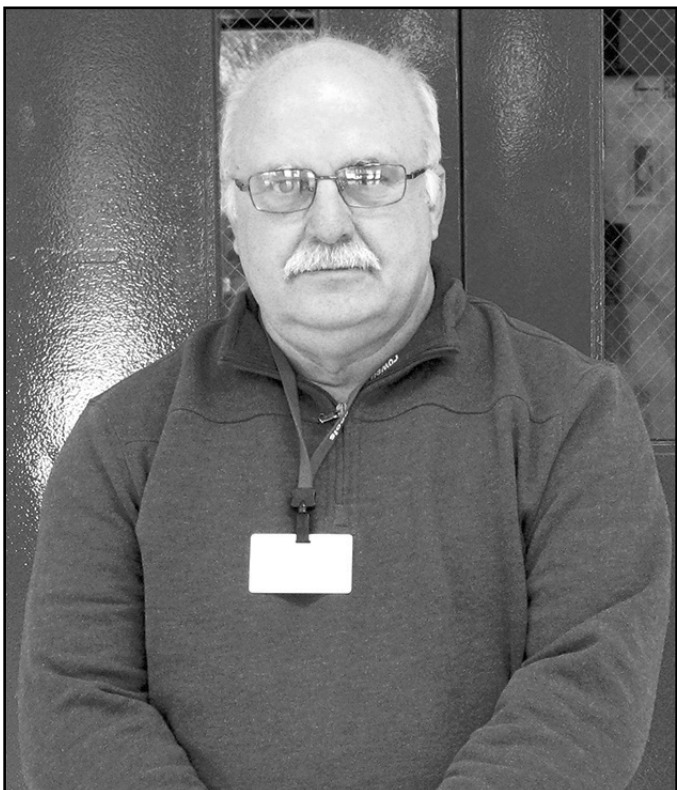
PCHS Staff Spotlight: Tony Burchett

The PCHS Staff Spotlight of the week is Mr. Tony Burchett.

Coach Burchett has been teaching at PCHS for the past six years and he is currently teaching Weightlifting and Physical Education. Coach Burchett graduated from Eastern Kentucky University in 1975 with a BA in Physical Education and an MA in Secondary Education.

Coach Burchett is currently the head coach for the Powell County Pirates football team. He is also the head coach for the Powell County Pirates track and field team. In his spare time, Tony enjoys going fishing and watching movies.

Coach Burchett says that the things he enjoys most about teaching at PCHS are the students and the staff.



PCHS Student of the Week

Vanessa Martinez Nolasco is this week's PTO Student of the Week at Powell County High School. She is the daughter of Neftaly Martinez and Imelda Nolasco of Stanton.

Vanessa is a senior and is a member of the high school's first Lady Pirates soccer team that began play last fall. She has been a member of the band for four years, as well as a member of the Key Club and the Pep Club. She also helps mentor freshman students as a member of the Leadership Club.

One of the best things about going to PCHS for Vanessa is getting to know the teachers and staff. She is also enjoying going through her senior year with all her close friends.

Vanessa was nominated for PTO Student of the Week by her Sociology teacher, Ed Hughes. Mr. Hughes's class is one of her favorites because "he makes Sociology fun by incorporating his great sense of humor in the class work."

In the future, Vanessa



Vanessa Martinez Nolasco

plans to attend Bluegrass Community and Technical College and study dental hygiene.

Student of the Week is a program sponsored by the PTO and recognizes students who are role models in the areas of study, effort, cooperation, and attitude. The selection is made by a vote of teachers.

POWELL COUNTY SCHOOLS CALENDAR			
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Guest Column: Five reasons kids should play organized sports - Life Lessons

BY DANYEL SURRENCY & DARNELL JONES
Guest Columnists

In the past 30 years, obesity has more than doubled in young children and quadrupled in adolescents, potentially leading to a host of chronic diseases later in life, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

Conversely, the CDC reports that regular physical activity provides a long list of physical benefits for children, but that's not all. Daily exercise also promotes mental and emotional well-being that includes self-esteem.

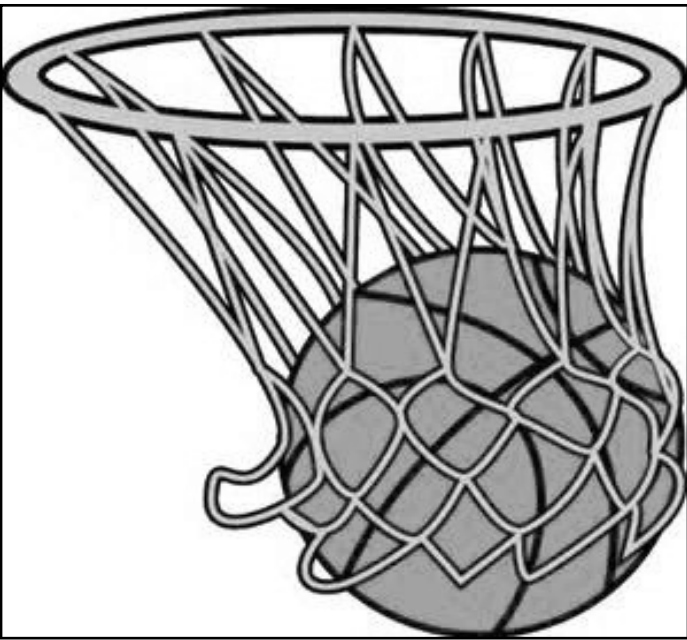
"By now, I don't think anyone is surprised that regular exercise is good for children and inactivity is places them at risk for illnesses later in life, but when you take a moment to consider the data in-depth for children who exercise and play organized sports, the details of a child's future come to life," says Danyel Surrency Jones, president of Power To Give and co-founder of Powerhandz Inc., (powerhandz.com), a company specializing in athletic training products to improve performance in baseball, basketball and football.

Danyel and her business partner and husband, Darnell Jones, a former professional basketball player who also co-founded Powerhandz, want kids in their community and beyond to benefit from the values

learned from youth sports. That's why they created the Power To Give program, which promotes positive development.

"We believe in the power of sports to change a kid's life for the better," says Darnell, who lists five significant benefits of youth sports.

- Cultivates a positive attitude: Sports are demanding. Come game time, a young athlete wouldn't last long with a negative mindset. "Practice is no cake-walk either," Darnell says. "As adults, we understand the need to hype ourselves before hitting the gym. The rewarding feeling we get walking out from the gym is similar to what young people feel after a game or tough practice."
- Offers a sense of accomplishment, confidence and self-esteem: As the CDC noted, simply being physically active builds self-esteem. We are physical beings who are not meant to sit in front of a videogame for several consecutive hours. "Again, if you're a physically active adult, you feel that sense of accomplishment in outdoing your last performance at the gym," Danyel says. "Kids feel a similar way learning new skills and succeeding in a game, except more so."
- Builds better peer relationships: Kids want to fit in, but it's not always easy. Organized sports hurdles the high wall of social awkwardness so many children



feel. Team sports such as baseball, basketball and football demand participants to work together for a common goal, which is a

valuable lesson some adults still haven't learned while interacting at work.

- More restraint in avoiding risky behavior: Ideally,

parents can get their children engaged – in anything that's productive, really. Bored or disengaged children have a way of getting into trouble. A student is less likely to misbehave in class or break the law if it means getting kicked off the team of a sport they love.


- Greater family attachment and frequent interactions with parents: Famous athletes say it all the time, "Thanks Mom. Thanks for driving me to and from practice, and thanks for showing up at the games." And that doesn't even count helping a child with actual practice – playing catch, squaring off one-on-one, etc.

Danyel Surrency Jones is COO and Co-Founder of Powerhandz Inc., (power-

handz.com), which specializes in performance-enhancing training products for athletes. Danyel is a business leader who led sales and marketing departments for over 17 years, sat on non-for-profit boards and invested in early stage companies.

Darnell Jones is an entrepreneur and investor, athlete and sales professional. Before cofounding Powerhandz, he was a team captain and academic all-conference basketball player at Mesa State College before he went on to play for the Utah Eagles of the former Continental Basketball Association. Danyel and Darnell created the Power To Give- Building Character Through Athletics, which help fund athletic programs in financially challenged communities.

Player of the Month



Destiny Peck accepted the ball from Whitaker Bank of Stanton President Dwaine Meadows. Peck was awarded the girls December Player of the Month.

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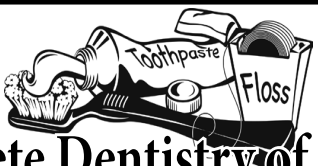
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CALENDAR

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The Powell County Search and Rescue Team is running the snack bar at the AmVets Post #67 in Clay City every Monday night 6-9 p.m. during bingo, as their main fundraiser to buy and maintain equipment. The team is made up all local volunteers who respond not only to woodland emergencies such as falls in the gorge area, but also to general community needs such as Amber and Golden Alerts. You don't have to play bingo to enjoy eats & treats from the snack bar, but if you do, you will be helping two charities at once!

AmVets Post #67 Valentines Dance

There will be a Valentines Dance at the AmVets Post #67, 710 Lakeview Drive in Clay City on Saturday, Feb. 14 at 8 p.m. New Commander Jeff Townsend invites you to enjoy the music by Boot Scootin Entertainment (bootscootingentertainment.com)

PCHD Food Handler Classes

The Powell County Health Department will be holding Food Handler Classes. One will be held on Mar. 12, at 1:30 p.m. The classes will be hosted at the Powell County Extension Office located at 169 Maple Street in Stanton.

Powell County Houndsmen Club Meat Hunt

The Powell County Houndsmen Club will be hosting a Meat Hunt on Saturday, Feb. 21. The deadline is 7 p.m. and the return deadline is 2 a.m. There is a \$10 entry fee, 50/50 payback. Heaviest coon wins. Do not have to be a member to participate. It will be at the Coon Club in Rosslyn. For more information contact James Reed 481-4126 or John Barker 481-4699.

PCMS YSC Advisory Council

The Powell County Middle School Youth Services Center Advisory Council meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 8:45. Meetings are open to the public.

Veterans Benefits

A Veterans Benefits Field Representative with the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs will be at the Powell County Courthouse, Stanton on the first Thursday of each month from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Veterans and their families will be given counseling in filing for Federal and State Veterans benefits. This service is provided free of any charge or fee by the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Department of Veterans Affairs. Call and leave a message at 1-866-376-0308, leave a message, your call will be returned. Bring all documents pertaining to filing a claim.

PCHS All Classes Alumni Reunion

The PCHS Alumni Reunion will be held on May 23, 2015 – All Classes. For ticket information and agenda please call the Powell County Board of Education at 606-663-3300

Yoga Class

Slow Flow classes offered Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. and Core workouts offered Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Clay City Municipal Building. All classes are multi-level, being gentle enough for beginners with advanced options also available. Bring your own yoga mat, a beach towel and a bottle of water.

Veterans Support Group

A Veterans Support Group will meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at the AmVets Post #67 in Clay City.

Genealogy Help Desk

The Red River Historical Society and Museum located at 4541 Main Street in Clay City has opened a Genealogy Help Desk. It will be staffed by members of the historical society and members of the Red River Valley Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). If you are researching your Eastern Kentucky roots we hope we can be of some help to you. The hours are 2 to 5 p.m. each Sunday at the museum.

Hall's Cemetery

If you have loved one buried in Hall's Cemetery on South Fork all donations for the upkeep of the cemetery will be greatly appreciated. Call or see Clayton Rogers in Bowen, or call 663-0756.

Help for Drug Abuse is available

Narconon would like to remind families that the use of addicting drugs is on the rise, take steps to protect your family from drug use. If you know anyone who is struggling with drug addiction get them the help they need. Call for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all drugs. Narconon also offers free screenings and referrals. 800-431-1754 or DrugAbuseSolution.com. Addiction Counseling also available. Narconon can help you take steps to overcome addiction in your family. Call today for free screenings or referrals. 800-431-1754.

Nada Cemetery

Donations needed for the upkeep of Nada Cemetery, send donations to: Debbie Russell 151 Nada Tunnel Road, Stanton, KY 40380.

TWO BIG REMINDERS

• Don't forget VALENTINE'S DAY is Saturday, Feb. 14

• NO SCHOOL on Monday, Feb. 16

CHURCH NEWS

Sons of Liberty at Stanton First Church of God

Sons of Liberty will be in concert at Stanton First Church of God on Sunday, February 15th. Pastor Anthony Molihan and congregation extends a warm invitation to come and listen to southern gospel music at its best.

Ladies Night at New Beginnings

The New Beginnings Church located on Highway 82 in Clay City will be holding a Ladies Night on Friday, Feb. 13 at 7 p.m. The speaker for the night is Evangelist Jeanne Steele. There will be a dinner after the service so please RSVP for reservations and dinner plans. For more information call 606-663-5902 or 606-663-8716.

Full Gospel Lighthouse Community Fellowship

The Full Gospel Lighthouse on 5th Avenue, Clay

City, will be having community fellowship on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm. All are welcome to join us for food, fellowship and good clean fun.

PCCUAD Prayer Meeting

The Powell County Christians United Against Drugs prayer meeting is held each Saturday at 9 am at the Clay City Baptist Church until April then once a month they will meet at the different churches. This prayer meeting is for all people of our county to meet together for a time of prayer not only for our drug situation but other concerns as well. If further information is needed, please call 663-4356.

Prayer Line

If you are in need of prayer or need to leave a prayer request, call (606) 663-6172 or (606) 663-6385.

Community Calendar and Church News presented so that the community can be made aware of local events. We ask that all announcements should include a brief description of the event along with the time, date and location.

Please include a phone number for more information with the announcement.

Announcements can be submitted by mail, email or phone.

Deadline for announcements is Monday at 1 p.m.

AND CHURCH

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Stanton Assembly of God, Washington St., Stanton, 663-0198, Pastor Eddie and Linda Thomas, 859-771-9777, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm.

BAPTIST

Clay City Baptist, 7th St. & 8th Ave., Clay City, Grider Denney, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Evening Service 7 pm.

Crossroads Baptist, 2524 Virden Ridge Rd., Clay City, Pastor James Smith, Sunday Worship Service 6 pm; 606-257-4392.

Emmanuel Baptist, 745 W Highway 15 (across from PCHS) Stanton. Ph: 663-1300. ; Services: Sunday School 9:45 am, Morning Worship 11:00 am, Evening Worship 6 pm, Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7 pm.

Faith Freewill Baptist Church, 130 Washington Street, Stanton, KY 40380, Pastor: Ireland Sexton. Phone 606-663-0073.

Friendship Baptist Church, 105 Bluebird Lane (off Virden Ridge Rd.) Clay City, Clyde Spencer, Pastor, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service Sunday, 11 am; Worship Service Saturday 6 pm. **Mill Knob Baptist Church**, 21 Rice Rd., Stanton, off Peck’s Creek. Pastor, Warren Rogers 606-481-0444. Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship at 11 a.m. Evening Worship 6 p.m. Wednesday service 7 p.m.

Morris Creek Missionary Baptist, Hwy. 213 North, Pastor Bess Goss. Jr. Sunday School 10 am, worship 10:45 am.

Nada Baptist Mission, 120 Nada Tunnel Rd., Children’s Sunday School 1:45 pm, Children’s Music 2:30 pm, Adult Sunday School, 2:30 pm, Worship 3 pm, Pastor, Dr. John E. Owen, 859-744-2884

Powell’s Valley Baptist, 125 Powell’s Valley Rd., Clay City; Gary Willoughby, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday service 6 pm.

Rehoboth Baptist Mission, 663-1950; Gary Hurt, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Morning Service 11 am; Sunday Evening 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Stanton Baptist, 42 E. College Ave., Stanton, Ph. 663-2170; Jonathan Lewis , Min., Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; AWANAS Wednesday 6:30-8 pm & Wednesday Service 7:00 pm.

West Bend Baptist.10124 Winchester Rd. Sunday School 10 a.m.; Sunday Service 11:15 a.m. Pastor John C. Taylor. Phone 1-859-270-1599.

Calvary Baptist Church, Stokely Loop, Clay City, 663-1890; Johnny Hurt, Pastor, Sunday School 10 am; Worship 11 am; Evening Service 6 pm; Wednesday Service 6 pm.

CATHOLIC

Our Lady Of The Mountains Church, 1093 E. College Ave., 663-5919; Sister Mary Jane Kreidler, pastoral director, and Father Al Fritsch, parish priest. Tuesday and Friday Mass 4:30 pm

CHRISTIAN

Stanton Christian, 100 West Church Street, Stanton, 663-2458; Senior Pastor, Chris Moon, Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service 10:30 a.m. and Sunday Night Small Groups and Youth Groups at 6 p.m. Meal and Open Gym at 7 p.m. Wednesday Nigh Small Groups for all ages 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bowen Church of Christ, Luke Newell - 1st and 3rd Sunday; Daniel Newell - 2nd and 4th Sunday.

Cat Creek Church of Christ, Dwaine Meadows Min. Sunday School 10 a.m.; morning worship 11 a.m.; evening service 6p.m.’ Wednesday 7 p.m.

Clay City Church of Christ, 5719 Main St., Clay City, Mack C. Rice and Daniel Newell, Ministers, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Stanton Church of Christ, 255 N. Main St., 663-5327; Brock Hartwigsen, Min., Sunday Service 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

CHURCH OF GOD

Bowen First Church of God, 5555 Campton Road, Stanton (Bowen) 663-0751; Pastor Steven V. Williams, Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Clay City First Church of God; Interim Pastor, Max Molihan, 4236 Main St., Ph. 663-2810; Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Emmanuel’s Tabernacle Church of God, Pastor: Kyle Shoupe; 859-749-4067; Sunday School, 1 pm, Worship Service, 2 pm; Sunday Night Service, 6:30 pm; Wed. night service, 7:00 pm; For more information 663-2266 or 663-8118.. Everyone is welcome.

Grace Fellowship Church of God of Prophecy, 775 E. College Ave., Willard Estep, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am & 6:30 pm, Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Hatcher’s Creek Church of God, Worship Service 11 am and 6:30 pm.

Knowlton Church of God, Furnace Rd., Stanton, Kenny Wasson, Min, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 6 pm.; Wednesday Service 6 p.m.

Living Water Church, 780 North Fork Rd., Ph. 663-1979; Dale Hale, Sunday School 10 am; Morning Worship Services 11 am and Sunday Night 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Middle Fork Church of God, 9479 Campton Road, Stanton; Pastor Garland Lacy; Sunday Service, 11 a.m.

More Than Enough Ministries Church of God, 1236 College St., Stanton, KY. Service Fridays 5-7 p.m., Clothing Giveaway Director Betsy A. Caudill , home (606)663-7849, cell (606)304-8838, **Morris Creek First Church of God**, 1669 Morris Creek Rd., Stanton, Raymond Tipton, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Mountain Parkway Church of God, 30 Adams Ridge Rd., Dale Payne, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

New Beginnings Church of God, 1091 Irvine Road, Hwy. 82, Clay City; Pastors Patty and Billie Utterback, Sunday School 11 am; Sunday Worship Services 12 pm. Tuesday Bible Study 6 pm., Wednesday and Saturday 7 pm.

Slade Church of God, Sunday School 10 am; Sunday Worship 11 am; Sunday Night Service 6 pm. Pastors: Bill White . Campers Welcome.

Stanton First Church of God, 980 E. College Ave. P.O. Box 325, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm. Anthony T. Molihan minister.

Vaughn’s Mill First Church of God, Hardwick’s Creek Rd., Clay City, Teddie Linkous, Min.; Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6:30; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Vaughn’s Mill Full Gospel Church of God, Located off KY 2001 and Happy Top Road in Clay City. Services are: Sunday 10 a.m., Worship at 11 a.m.; Sunday evening at 6 p.m.; Thursday evening at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome.

West Bend Church of God, 9866 Winchester Rd., Clay City, KY 40312, Ph. 663-9210. Pastor Bro. Ray Wyant , home phone 859-498-2262 Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6:00 pm., youth service 7 p.m. Wednesday prayer services at 7 p.m.

West Bend First Church of God, 8861 Winchester Rd., Clay City, KY Pastor James Combs, Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship service 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Wednesday youth service, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday prayer service, 6:30 p.m.

Christian Fellowship Church of God, 4627 Main St., Clay City, Pastor Harold G. Kelly, Sunday School 10 am; Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:45 am and Sunday Night Service 6:00 pm; Wednesday Service 7:00 pm.

Walnut Grove Church of God, North Fork Road, Stanton, Anthony Bond Pastor, Sunday Morning Service 10 am; Wednesday Night service 6 pm.

LUTHERAN

Grace Lutheran Church, 108 Hemlock Dr., Winchester, Sunday School 9:15 am, Worship 10:30 am, 745-2873.

UNITED METHODIST

Clay City United Methodist, 7th St., Kim Rose, Min., Sunday School 10:00 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Bible Study 6 pm.

El Bethel United Methodist Church, 5229 Trapp-Goff’s Corner Road (behind Goff’s Corner Market) Winchester,; Rev. Mike Albertson, Pastor; 606-233-7407; Sunday School 10 am; Sunday Morning Worship 11 am; Sunday Night Bible Study 7 pm.

Hardwicks Creek United Methodist, Hardwicks Creek, Pastor Chris Harrison, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am & 5 pm; Wednesday Service 6 pm.

Shiloh United Methodist, 2652 Campton Rd. (SR 11 & 15) Stanton, Ph. 663-5633; Derek Hickman, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6:30 pm; Youth Ministries, 6:30 pm Sunday; Bible study 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Online: www.shilohunited.org, or facebook.com/shiloh united stanton or email at ShilohUnitedWorship@gmail.com

West Bend United Methodist, 8677 Winchester Rd., Clay City, Ph. 663-5534; Michael R.Guertin, Pastor, (931) 237-0569; Sunday School 10 a.m., Sunday Worship, 11 am and 6 p.m.; Wed. Bible Study 7 p.m.

PENTECOSTAL

Full Gospel Lighthouse, Fifth Ave., Clay City, Sammy Faulkner, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm

Harvestime Assembly 480 E. College Ave., Stanton; Sunday, 10 am, 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday, 7 pm. Rev. Tony Story, 606-663-9866.

PRESBYTERIAN

First Presbyterian, Phillip Pogue, 420 N. Main St., Stanton, Ph. 663-2914; Sunday School 9:30 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 7:00 pm; Wednesday Service 7:00 pm.

OTHER

Airport Chapel, Stanton, Scoby Faulkner, Min.

Blessed Assurance Church, 650 W. College Ave., Stanton; Gary Sparks, pastor. Randy Sparks, assistant pastors, Sunday School 10 a.m.; morning worship 11 a.m.; Sunday night 6 p.m.; Wednesday Youth Service 6 p.m. Phone 859-556-0481

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1085 Grand Ave., Beattyville. Branch president, James R. Ellison; Sacrament meeting, 10:30-11:30; Sunday School 11:40-12:20; Priesthood and relief society 12:20-1 p.m.; missionaries phone 859-432-9584. Ronald E. Roberts 1st Counselor in the branch presidency, 1452 Brookside Dr., Stanton. Phone 606-481-9770

Three Cross Mission Church, Sunday School 10 am, Worship Service 11 am & 6 pm and Wednesday Service 6:30 pm, Clay City, KY

Full Gospel Church, 27 Hunter Ln., Clay City; Pastor, Ralph Banks; Sunday Services 6 p.m., Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Saturday, 7 p.m.

House of Prayer For All People, Helton Mtn., Slade, Dale Helton, Min., Worship Service, Sunday 2 pm.

Nada Baptist Mission, Tunnel Rd., Dr. John Owen, pastor; Phone 859-744-2884. Services 2 p.m. Sunday School; 3 p.m. worship.

Never Ending Grace Community Church, 29 Howell Lane, Clay City, Stephen Donithan, pastor 859-585-8756 Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship Service 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Pine Grove C.M.E. Church, 9575 Winchester Rd., Clay City KY 40312. Sunday School: 10 am.; worship service 11 a.m.; Pastor, Diane Flora.

Vaughns Mill Community Chuch, hosting **God’s Fresh Start Church** 155 Spout Springs Road, Clay City, Ph. 859-608-6525, Thomas Rogers, pastor, Sunday Service 2 p.m.; Thursday night 7 p.m.

Wings of Love Church, 7283 Winchester Rd., Clay City, Ricky Shuler, pastor, Children’s Sunday School, 5:30 p.m., Sunday Service 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday night 7 p.m.

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Howard Coop
Guest Columnist

February 12 is no longer a legal holiday, we can, on that day, remember, respectfully, the birthday of Abraham Lincoln, the unusual man that he was, and the significant contribution he made to our nation.

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During my childhood and youth, February 12 was a significant national holiday observed by everyone I knew. But it was more than a holiday; it was a time to remember and be thankful for an outstanding leader who possessed the moral courage to do what he knew to be right. Although

on a farm beside Sinking Creek near Hodgenville in what is now LaRue County, the rail-splitter became the sixteenth President of the United States in 1860 at a crucial time in American history. Consequently, that common man, in an uncommon way, led the nation through the Civil War that has come to be known as the nation’s “bloodiest war, and it greatest moral, constitutional, and political crisis.”

Through that crisis and without regard for public opinion and political pressure, Lincoln stood steadfast for what he believed was morally right, and he did what he could to hold the nation together and bind up its wounds. As a result of his efforts, a nation, deeply divided by strong feelings rooted in conflicting ideologies and political persuasions, remained united and healing occurred. His leadership during that crucial

period of American history is credited with preserving “the Union, abolishing slavery, strengthening the government, and modernizing the economy,” quite an accomplishment for a self-educated backwoodsman from the hills of Kentucky.

Lest we forget, times like these demand more than moral equivocation and political posturing to gain favor. As Josiah Gilbert Holland wrote, “A time like this demands strong minds, great hearts, true faith, and ready hands” from men and women who “have honor” and “will not lie.” The need is for leaders who have strength of character that is grounded in proven principles that are morally right even though they may not appear to be politically correct.

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Legislation targets repeat DUI offenders



Photo by LRC Public Information
Senator Dennis L. Parrett (left), D-Elizabethtown, testified before the Senate Judiciary Committee on Senate Bill 34. The bill, which passed unanimously, targets DUI offenders. Testifying in support of SB 34 with the senator was: Tonya Taylor (center) and David Taylor.

FRANKFORT – A bill to strengthen penalties for habitual drunken drivers in Kentucky became one step closer to law on Thursday with its passage out of a key state Senate committee.

Senate Bill 34, sponsored by Senator Dennis L. Parrett, would change what is known in legal circles as the “look back period” to 10 years from five years. What that means is that if someone is convicted of drunken driving multiple times in a 10-year period the penalties for the crimes can be increased.

“For a lot of people one DUI, as serious as it is, is a mistake,” Senator Parrett, D-Elizabethtown, said during testimony before the Senate Standing Committee on Judiciary. “I respect that. Two is not. Two is a problem. Three is a big problem. Four is even a bigger problem.”

Parrett said he worked

with the county attorney, judges and others in his district when drafting the legislation along with Rep. John Tilley, D-Hopkinsville and Senator Whitney West-erfield, R-Hopkinsville, who is a cosponsor of SB 34 and is chairman of the Sen-ate Judiciary Committee.

SB 34 now goes to the full Senate for further consid-eration. If the bill becomes law, Senator Parrett said it would be named the Bri-anna Taylor Act. Brianna was 17 when she died in a car wreck eight months ago in Hardin County. The Elizabethtown High School graduate was on her way home at the time of the crash.

The driver of the other ve-hicle, 35-year-old Michael Hilton, has been charged with driving under the in-fluence, two counts of as-sault and murder, Senator Parrett said. A hearing in the criminal case is set for

Feb. 17 in Hardin Circuit Court. Hilton will stand tri-al on March. 9. He also fac-es additional drug-related charges.

It is the seventh time Hil-ton has been charged with driving under the influence, Senator Parrett said. Hilton was sentenced to three years in prison in 2006 for repeat drunken-driving offences, according to the Adminis-trative Office of the Court. Because Hilton’s last drunk-en-driving conviction hap-pened more than five years ago, the latest charge is con-sidered his first under the legal definition of Kentucky current criminal statutes.

“I just feel there needs to be more accountability for people out there with mul-tiple DUIs,” said Brianna’s mother, Tonya Taylor, who testified before the commit-tee along with her husband, David. “The current law is very lax.”

A taste of sports . . . see more on A14



Destiny Peck, a force inside, makes a move on Jackson City last Friday night



Kory Freeman makes a strong move against three defenders last Thursday.

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Lady Pirates split week with Breathitt, J-City

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

The Powell County Lady Pirates have learned to adapt and in some cases overcome some of their lack of experience during the season. That was never more evident than last week's match ups. Powell fell behind in both games and found a way to fight back. But they split the week and learned some valuable lessons.

Last Monday Powell took to the road to play Breathitt County. The Lady Bobcats are second in the region based on their record and Powell sits at number four. So the game should have been a good one.

But Breathitt came out hot and jumped out to an 11-3 lead after one quarter. The second frame was not much better for Powell as they were held to just nine points and trailed 25-12 at the half.

The second half seemed to get worse as Powell fell behind by as many as 18 points. But they fought back hard in the fourth quarter and cut the Breathitt lead to just six

pints. But they could not get over the hump as Breathitt held on for the 54-44 win.

Powell was led by Destiny peck with 16 points and Briana Elam with 15. Sarah Spencer tossed in seven points, Amber Branham scored four, while Shayla Lindon and Dakota Brown each added one point.

Powell then came home to host Jackson City last Friday night. The two teams met in Jackson back on Jan. 7 and Powell escaped with a 72-67 overtime win. The Lady Tigers showed that the earlier meeting was not a fluke.

Powell's big gun, Peck, picked up two fouls just four minutes into the game and had to sit on the bench the rest of the first half. At the time Powell led, but with Peck out of the middle the visitors began to pour it on. At one point Jackson City led by as many as 15 points in the second quarter. They enjoyed a 34-24 halftime lead.

Powell, with Peck back in the lineup and the team at full strength after a lengthy halftime in the locker room, started the comeback. The

Lady Pirates fought their way back into the game and trailed 49-41 entering the fourth quarter.

In that final frame Powell continued the onslaught, seemingly hitting shots from every angle. Some key steals by Lindon despite having four fouls, sparked the team. Powell took a 56-55 lead late in the game.

But Jackson City's Kelsey Taulbee nailed down two free throws to give the visitors the lead back.

Peck then putback her own missed shot on the other ned of the floor to give Powell a 58-57 lead. They would never relinquish it. With under three minutes to play a steal and a basket by Elam, followed by a steal by Lindon and another basket by Elam, gave the Big Red Nation the boost they needed.

Jackson City did try to take back the lead. Free throws by Taulbee and Ashlee Combs kept them close, but a steal by Savannah Hamilton and two free throws by Elam sealed the Powell victory, 66-60.

Powell was led by Branham, who was a silent scorer hitting shots when needed, with 16 points. Peck tossed in 15 and Elam chipped in 14. Lindon added seven, Brown scored six points inside, while Spencer and Hamilton each scored four points.

Powell was set to make up a game at home with Owsley this past Tuesday night. They will then travel to Magoffin County tonight (Thursday).

As for the district tournament. The seeding and pairing were announced on Monday. Powell will play Lee County on Feb. 23 in Owsley County. Game time is 6 p.m.



Shayla Lindon goes up strong after a steal to score against Jackson City.

Estill will play Owsley at 8 p.m. The finals are planned for Thursday, Feb. 26. Game time for the Championship Game is 7 p.m.



Bradley Cornett "soars" in for a shot against Leslie.

Pirates near .500 mark

By GREG MCINTOSH
Times Sportswriter

The Powell County Boys Basketball team continues to play its best basketball of the season with just three weeks left in the regular season. The Pirates started last week on Tuesday with a district game at home against the Owsley County Owls. Powell led after the first quarter 12 - 9 thanks to four points each by Bradley Cornett and Adrian Williams. The second quarter was close as well with both team trading baskets. The story of the second quarter was Austin Napier, who scored 16 of Powell's 18 points in the quarter. Napier hit four three pointers and four free throws in the quarter. Powell led 30 - 26 at halftime.

Powell extended their lead in the third quarter with Napier and Cornett leading the way. Powell had a two point lead when they ended the quarter with a 15 to 5 run to lead 52 - 40 after three quarters.

The Pirates held a double digit lead until Owsley cut it to only eight with two minutes to go. Brad Smith hit a layup and four free throws down the stretch to help Powell to victory, 63 - 51 over the Owls. Napier led the Pirates with 24 points. Cornett added 12 points and Smith scored 10 points for Powell.

The Pirates hosted Leslie County on Thursday in a make up game. Leslie scored first then Powell tied the game with a basket by Bradley Cornett. Cornett hit another runner, Nate Brooks scored in the lane and Tylar Carter hit a jumper to give Powell an 8 - 2 lead.

Leslie scored eight points in a row to give them the lead. Derrick Robinson hit two free throws to tie the game. Leslie got a three point play to take the lead, 13 - 10 at the end of the first quarter.

Powell trailed 22 - 14 when Carter scored inside.

Austin Napier hit a three pointer and Brad Smith sank a basket to give Powell the lead 22 - 21 at halftime.

The game was close until Powell opened up a seven point lead on two straight three pointers from Napier. Powell led 37 - 30 after three quarters. Leslie scored the first five points of the fourth quarter to cut the lead to two points. Carter hit two free throws and Leslie hit two baskets to tie the score.

Adrian Williams scored in the lane to give Powell the lead. Leslie hit a free throw and Brad Smith hit two free throws to put Powell ahead by three with one minute to play. But Leslie tied it with a three pointer.

Powell ran the clock down to 30 seconds and took a timeout. The Pirates held the ball until 11.2 seconds to go when Coach Whitaker called another timeout to set up a play.

Smith got the inbound pass and dribbled at the top of the key. Leslie stepped up their defense and Smith had to move to the right side. With time running down Smith launched a three pointer. The ball barely grazed the rim on the way in the basket and Powell won the game 48 - 45 over Leslie County.

Cornett lead the Pirates in scoring with 13 points for the game. Smith and Napier each scored nine points for Powell.

The Pirates were on the road last Saturday at West Carter. The Pirates were just 1 - 5 on Saturday's this season. That trend continued as Powell just could not get it going and fell to West Carter, 79 - 64 on the road.

Powell now stands at 12 - 13 for the season and 4 - 2 in district play. The Pirates will be the two seed in the district tournament.

The Pirates were scheduled to play at home this past Tuesday against Breathitt County. Powell hosts Perry Central on Friday. The Pirates will then travel to Bath County on Saturday night.

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